

Weekly News & Notes

Lamb of God Lutheran Church, Columbus, OH

November 2, 2014

Hope's Steadfastness

We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. (Hebrews 6:19)

We live in a time of rapid change. Just in the realm of technology we are swept into a fast flowing stream of change. If you purchased a new cell phone only a few months ago, there are now smarter and slicker models available. The changes that occur so quickly and prevalently around us can be unsettling! They can make us feel uncomfortable. We want, we need, something that doesn't change. Something we can rely on! Something that will be there for us, always!

The inspired writer of the book of Hebrews tells us, "We have this!" It is the "hope" on which our soul is anchored. That hope is ours in a Savior slain for sins, and risen from the dead for our

rescue from eternal death. The hope that Jesus provides gives us comfort when all around us the world is changing. This hymn reminds us of our unchanging hope in Jesus:

In ev'ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil.
When ev'ry earthly prop gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

(Christian Worship: A Lutheran Hymnal - 382, from verses 2 & 3)

Our hope is steadfast. It's "firm and secure!" For Jesus Christ is always the same. Yes! The One in whom our hope is anchored is



changeless. Nothing can, or ever will, replace him. Nothing can, or ever will, change what he has done to save us from eternal death. Nothing can, or ever will, alter his attitude of love toward you and me. Our hope truly is steadfast!

Prayer: Amidst all the changes that surround my life, I trust in your changeless love for me, Lord Jesus. Comfort me with your permanent presence and sustain me with your unfailing promises. Praise and glory to you, O Savior! Amen.

Devotion from
www.WhatAboutJesus.com

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This Week at Lamb of God (November 3-8)

Serving Our Lord

- Cleaning: Nancy Gregory
- Bulletins: Fran Woodruff
- Refreshments: Cox Family
- Accompanist: Rhea Franks
- Ushers: Chuck Sigrist and Ben Hallauer

Events

- **Wednesday, November 5**
6:15 pm—Choir Rehearsal
7:15 pm—Bible Study - God Grows His Church (Acts)
- **Thursday, November 6**
7:00 pm—Cedar Ridge Homeowners Association Meeting
- **Sunday, November 9**
8:00 am—Youth Confirmation
9:15 am—Sunday School and Bible Study
10:30 am—Worship with Holy Communion



WELS Columbus Reformation Service

Celebrate the Lutheran Reformation with brothers and sisters in Christ today at 4:00 pm, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 322 E Stewart Ave, Columbus. The service includes Holy Communion. A meal will follow the service. Contact Pastor Wagner if you need help finding a ride(or if you are willing to offer a ride).

If you have news, upcoming events, or prayer requests that you would like published in the weekly newsletter, contact Katie Chen (katiesl@hotmail.com).

Mission Prayer: Puerto Rico

Lord of the Church and Lord of the Harvest, as the Confessional Evangelical Lutheran Church of Puerto Rico celebrates the fiftieth anniversary of



and strengthen them, as they strive to be your witnesses of God's love through Christ Jesus in that part of the world. Bless the fellowship we

enjoy. Give us opportunities to support each other and work together to your glory and the salvation of souls, and in your mercy bless those opportunities. May your kingdom come. May your will be done. Amen.

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Congregational Meeting

A congregational meeting will be held after worship next Sunday, November 9. Proposed ministry plans and budget

for 2015 will be presented. All members are encouraged to attend. Your input is very important!

Christmas for Kids

Children ages 3-10 are invited to Christmas for Kids on Saturday, December 6, from 9:30-12:00. Plan to attend and bring friends and

neighbors to hear the good news of Christmas. Watch for your opportunity to assist with this outreach event.

Hymnal Survey

The WELS Hymnal project is seeking your assistance. They are conducting a survey that is intended for any and all worshipers in our church body to complete. The survey consists of approximately twenty questions and

shouldn't take more than ten minutes to complete. The survey will remain open through November 25 and can be found here: <http://weshymnal.com/research/member-survey>. Thank you for your assistance!

Fall Women's Retreat

The women of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Strongsville, OH, invite all women to join them for a retreat at Furnace Run Metro Park, on Saturday, November 8, from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm. The retreat theme is

"Building Healthy Relationships." The cost is only \$20. For more information, see the poster in the fellowship hall or contact Pastor Wagner or Jenn Grieser (330-687-3711, jenngrieser@yahoo.com).

Thanksgiving Worship

Join us for a special service of Thanksgiving on Wednesday, November 26, at 7:00 pm.

Online Sermons

Did you miss a Sunday? Do you want to share a message you heard with someone else? Copies of last week's sermon are available by the mailboxes. You can also find both written and audio versions of sermons on our website.

Prayer Requests

Please keep in your prayers this week:

- Our shut-ins (Kitty, Dot, Julie, Betty, Monty, Dick, Mike)
- Dick and Jocelyn Ritter, as Dick continues to receive hospice care

Request prayers of your pastor and/or your fellow Christians using a prayer request form by the mailboxes or online at LambofGodColumbus.org/prayers

Give Thanks to the Lord!

Attendance (10/26):

Worship:	76
Sunday School (w/teachers):	13
Sunday Bible Study:	21

Offerings:

General Fund:	\$2191.29
Year-to-Date Average:	\$1922.51
Weekly Budgeted Ministry:	\$2217.52
Sunday School:	\$9.75
Building Fund:	\$125.00
Bob Woehrle Memorial	\$100.00